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To: [Name No. 42].^[1]

1. ⁺PER^[11] has reported:

- (a) Admiral BOEHM, the Commander of the German Navy in Norway, has moved with his staff from OSLO to TRONDHEIM.
- (b) The fortifications protecting the southern entrance to TRONDHEIM - AGDENES - suffered considerable damage on 28th April as the result of bombing by the British, and considerable damage was also caused throughout the whole port area of TRONDHEIM - the quays, crane installations and warehouses. One block of buildings in a shipyard was completely wrecked. There was partial damage at NYHAVN, which is a harbour for submarines. In TRONDHEIM the Germans have built five concrete tunnels which submarines enter in a state of readiness to put to sea. In addition to the Norwegian and Germans, over 5,000 Danish labourers have been working on the construction of this base for a period of two years.. At VERNES airfield, situated 30 kilometres north of TRONDHEIM, eleven German aircraft were destroyed on the ground and [C% 300] Germans were killed in their huts.

2. In the Swedish Press there is a report from LONDON that the GNEISENAU is lying at Gdynia, having suffered considerable damage to the bows. The SCHARNHORST is in dock at KIEL. Before this both battleships were under repair there for over two months, since they suffered some damage during [1 group unrecovered], and they also suffered heavily during air raids on KIEL between 25th and 28th February.

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The battleships need considerable repair. The "PRINZ EUGEN" while on passage to TRONDHEIM was successfully torpedoed near KRISTIANSUND by the British submarine "TRIDENT"; she is now lying at TRONDHEIM and is in need of repair.

Please state whether you already have the above information, as it is necessary to know for the future what to send you and as this is an agent report.

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